## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

Applicant : DiPoto et al. Art Unit : 3731 Serial No.: 09/447,228 Examiner: V. Nguyen Filed : November 22, 1999 Conf. No. : 3547 · SUTURE ANCHOR AND DRIVE ASSEMBLY

Title

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1050. The Director also is hereby authorized to apply any additional fact or credits to Denocit Account No. 06 1050

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Total Claims	43	-	110	-	0	\$0		
Independent	9	-	9	-	0	\$0		
First Presentation	\$0							
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 0 month								
extension of time.						\$0		
TOTAL FEE DI	TE .					\$0		

Respectfully submitted,

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